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IN THE APPLICATION OF:

SAVERIO CARL FALCO ET AL.

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CASE NO.: BB1179 US DIV1

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EXAMINER: DELIA M. RAMIREZ

GROUP ART UNIT: 1652

CONFIRMATION NO.: 3422

FOR: ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING  
METHYLENETETRAHYDROFOLATE DEHYDROGENASE

**AMENDMENT AND  
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is an Amendment and Response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 4, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time for one (1) month up to and including Monday, July 5, 2004, is filed simultaneously herewith. Please enter the following:

**Amendments to Claims**, as reflected in the Listing of Claims, begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.